

At the end of every week, fill in the relevant row of the table for each of the 5 wader species.

If none were present, write a '0'. If some were present but you don't know how many, enter a tick. Please record the number of birds present, you observed this. If you aren't sure if birds observed on multiple occasions were different individuals, record the maximum number you can be sure were present at any one time.

You can also, **optionally**, record the following observations, using the narrow columns at the right of the main space for recording numbers of each species during the week:

- **Alarm calling/Display behaviour:** if you observed the species showing alarm, calling noisily, displaying or interacting with other birds, put a tick mark in the **first** narrow column. There is more detail on alarming and display behaviour in the full survey instructions.
- **Young:** if you saw young birds (too young to fly!) or wader eggs in a nest please put a tick mark in the **second** narrow column.
- **No behaviour indicative of breeding:** put a cross through the **both** narrow columns.

If you were unable to make any observations during a particular week (e.g. you were away from the area), leave the relevant cells of the table blank. However, if you were able to make observations, but did not see or hear any waders, enter a zero. **Zero records are just as valuable** as records from areas where waders are present, as they tell us where waders are genuinely absent.

At the end of the season please fill in the information below and send the completed calendar to:

Please return to: mark.wilson@bto.org

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FARM DETAILS

FARM NAME:

POSTCODE:

CENTRAL GRID REFERENCE (of recording area):

<https://gridreferencefinder.com/>

SIZE (of recording area, in Ha or Acres):

Tick any that apply to the recording area. Write any additional information in the box below.

Arable

Livestock

Hay

Silage

Other

Notes (about the wader recording or about the area):

WADER CALENDAR 2020

Each week, record the observed number (or presence) of each species on the farm, along with alarm and display activity, and any eggs or young observed, as shown in the top row of the recording table. See below table for more examples.

EXAMPLE ROW
records these
observations:

5 adults, some
displaying, some alarm
calling

2 adults, at least one
alarm calling, chicks
seen

3 adults, no display or
alarm calling observed

No Redshanks
observed in the week

Unknown number
observed, some
displaying

Week Start (Monday)	Curlew			Lapwing			Oystercatcher			Redshank			Snipe			Other wader (please specify)		
	Alarm/Display	Eggs/Young																
EXAMPLE ROW	5	✓		2		✓	3		✗	0			✓	✓				
30-Mar																		
06-Apr																		
14-Apr																		
21-Apr																		
28-Apr																		
04-May																		
11-May																		
18-May																		
25-May																		
01-Jun																		
08-Jun																		
15-Jun																		
21-Jun																		
28-Jun																		
05-Jul																		
12-Jul																		
19-Jul																		
26-Jul																		

MORE RECORDING EXAMPLES

0			no birds detected
✓			adults present (no specified number or behaviour)
2			at least 2 adults present
2	✓		at least 2 adults present, one or more displaying or alarm calling
		✓	young present
✓	✓	✓	adults present, one or more alarm calling, young present
✓	✗		adults present, no alarm calling, displays or young observed

NOTE: Please record the maximum number of birds you can be confident were present that week. If you already observed a bird earlier in the week, make sure you don't count it twice!